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Pasters and Officers of Stations, Circuits and Missions of the Sixth Episcopal District of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, Which District Includes All the Churches and Congregations in the States of Alabana and Georgia.

Dear Brethren — Our Book of Discipline makes it my duty, as the Bishop of the read Episcopal District to inform you that Sabbath, April 18th, is Easter Sunday. A day which the Christian world holds in sacred commemoration, and have for ages, as implying the day our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, arose from the dead, and completed the redemption of mankind. A large number of the Christian Churches, have consecrated the entire day to collecting money and means for the support of Missions, and the retension of the Redeemer's Kingdom on earth. And millions of dollars are being collected that day by Christian men and women, whose responsibilities to God, and sacrificing obligations are no more binding than ours. In deed the M. E. Church alone sollectis a million of dollars for missions on Easter Sabbath. The women alone, of some of the Christian churches are collecting 5500,000 (five hundred thousand dollars.)

The A. M. E. Church, by order of the General Conference, fell in line in May, 1884, to the extent of also setting apart Easter Sabbath as a day to lay saide every other consideration, and collect money for the cause of missions of the money for the cause of missions of the Massiah's reign in the hearts of the inhabitants of earth. Yours for God and Missions, the May, 1884, to the extent of also setting apart Easter Sabbath as a day to lay your sollection and collect money for the cause of missions of the money for the cause of missions of the cause of missions of the cause of missions of the cause of the ca

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the entire Missionary Day, which is held an Easter Sunday of each year, and all moneys thus collected shall beheld sacred to the Department of Missions, and forwarded at once to the Treasurer referred to is the Secretary of Missions—Rev. H. B. Parks, B. D. room 61, Bible House, New York city.

New York city. Our Discipline, foot of page 370,

My object in add essing you this epistle—

1st. Is to request each one of you to read the entire Missionary Law, commencing on foot of page 320 in our New Discipline, all of which I have not space to quote:

2d. To call your attention to section 4th, foot of page 326, which reads as follows:

"An annual collection from each church and Sabbath school, including the entire Missionary Day, which is

Brother Spencer Writes.

New York city.

Our Discipline, foot of page 370, further says:

"All moneys collected, both is church and Sunday school, on our Connectional Days, to-wit: Easter Day, Endowment and Children's Day, shall be sacredly appropriated to the object to which the day was set apart, and to church officers (trustees nor stewards), pastor, presiding elder or bishop, shall divert or use the said money otherwise."

On foot of page 328, section 10th, it is further made the duty of the Presiding Bishop, to see that the law is strictly enforced, or to treat the violators as in all other cases of neglect of duty, which this Bishop pray and implore the brethren not to bother him with, for I am already nearly worked to death; and neither I, nor my assistants (the Presiding Elders), have the time nor the disposition to be appointing committees to try and suspend ministers for neglecting this simple but easy duty, and a duty, too, which every child of God should be delighted to perform.

The A. M. E. Church should and could raise fifty thousand (\$50,000) dollars on Easter Sabbath, and the Sixth Episcopal district should raise eight thousand (\$8,000) dollars, without being burdened.

Rev. Allen Cooper, our pastor at Armerica Co. Minor seedlerfaced and Sample yellow?

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Educational Money Endowment—
(See Discipline.) Kittrell College needs today, this Conference session, five thousand dollars. Don't fail to bring your part of it, or send it to Prof. C. G. O. Kelly.

Contingent Money.—To meet the expenses of the Conferences, let every pastor bring from \$2 to \$10 for contingent money, and may the God of all grace preserve and keep you. Amen.

JAMES A. HANDY.

HANDY.

MRS. MARTHA E. TURNER.

Today's mail does indeed bring me sad news. It is a very brief but a very heartrending letter from Mrs. Shelson, telling me that another one of my tends is grone, whence travelers make

To the Presiding Elders, Ministers and Members of the 11th Episcopal District and the Three Florida Con-ferences of the A. M. E. Church:

seemed to glory in your going to Africa! How faily he trusted God for the success of the A. M. E. Church:

My Dear Brethren—I come to you this time with Easter greetings. The 10th of April will be the celebration of the birth-time of humanity's hope. Therefore, I call upon you to make our missionary collection excel all previous records.

Rev. H. B. Parks, the Missionary Secretary, asks the church lor \$30,000 (thirty thousand dollars). This is a small amount. Let us do our part. As you know, all money collected on Easter Sunday, whether at the morning, noon or night service, is appropriated to our missionary excl. Let us do will open our hearts and the hearts of the people to give liberally for the cause of missions.

Send the money, directly to Rev. H. B. Parks, room 61, Bible House, New York, N. Y.

Fraternally yours,

W. J. Gaines,

Bishop.

Bedication of Eliza Turner Memorial

Mr. Eurron:

The 6th of February, 1898, will always be a red letter day with the African Methodists of Monrovia Liberia Although the ceiling was not completed in r the steeple in place on the Church, yet this day was set apart for the formal dedication, and londs before the hour the steambout 'Sarah Ann' thad arrived, and among its passengers were the venerable Church Inons, the father of the Liberia Annual Contercnee; also Rev. J. M. Gross of Johnsonville station, and Rov. A. H. Watson, Parson at Hewerseville.

At 10:30 a. m. Dr. Heard, accompanied by Presiding Elder L. C. Cartis, Revs. M. T. Newhand of Cape Mount and A. J. Roberts of the Church and were met by Rev. Clement Irons, J. M. Gross and A. H. Watson. Trustees S. E. F. Cadogen and T. S. Duncan presented the keys of the chapel to Dr. W. H. Heard, the superintendent.

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Rev. L. C. Curtis reall the dedicatory prayer, Dr. Heard the address, Revs. J. M. Græss and Clement Irons, assisted in the services. Br. Heard must be seek from his home, now left always stated in the services. Br. Heard most softary!

While you are Christianizing in Africa, you are making Missionaries in Dedication of Eliza Turner Memorial

Chapel,

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Husl: The nation is in a sigh,
A sout has taken its flight,
Gone from a world sadness and night
Into a home forever bright;
The Gold of life the word has spoken,
The still, O throbbing heart;
The golden wheel at it is believed.

Lo! The gentle winds are sighing

List! I hear an angele voice,

"Weep not here, with hearts forforn,"
Bidding our sad hearts rejoice
And haif with joy the risen morn;
O God, we thank Thee that our nation,
For she claimed the hone. The promise

(For she claimed the hope Thy promise

Though she sleeps, she ever liver FLORENCE HAWRING. 717 M. St., Atchison, Kan.



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TO OUR READERS.

While we are gone to South Africa let our patrons of this paper pay up regularly and work to keep The Voice of Missions alive. Every issue will have letters from us. Direct all let-Missions, Atlanta, Ga.; then my chief secretary will have no trouble in getting it and using it to run the paper. Good-bye till we meet in the H. M. T.

Nothing can be more demoralizing to a member of any race than to sit and listen to one of the educated members of his race who has the respect and confidence of another race, delivering an address in which he takes occasion to picture his race as the lowest of all races, standing, in the slums of vice and ignorance, steeped in crime and making no effort to free itself from this making no effort to free itself from this wretched condition, only as the members of the opposite race are pleased by its great spirit of humanity to spend its means in the employment of teachers and preachers to raise his race out of its despised and pitiable condition. I say demoralizing because it has no foundation in truth, and any statement, however eloquently made, regardless of the position occupied by the individual making it, doee, has and will have a pernicious effect upon

and will have a pernicious effect upor se to whom it is mad if the statement is not true

ple, race, honor and truth for the sake of a few dollars or worldly fame. Dollars and fame are not the great objects for which one should exist, and they who would lead their race to positions of honor and trust must know this

THE VOICE OF MISSIGNS has no apology to make for the Negro's condition in this country, especially when it considers his disposition to improve himself morally, financially, intellectually and spiritually, for the enemy, if honest est, must confess that along these lines he has made a showing to the world that is without parallel in history. Those who would be leaders of the race in Church and state, and co

tinually bid for the white man's money upon which to exist, without regarding the cost, are indeed curses to the race instead of blessings.

The time has come for all race leaders to teach self-dependence and self-importance, instead of helplessness and inferiority. No people who have a mean opinion of themselves, their ability to rise to as high a plane in life as any other people, of who expect their exaltation to come from others, can ever succeed in any great undertaking. ever succeed in any great undertaking If it had not been for the true an manly stand of those Negroes who i the early days of our national fif taught the doctrine of self-relian and manly worth to the race, the gam of latter day reformers, race traitor would succeed in making it next to im

WE are pleased to see the very d cided position that our Pishops hav taken to make the offering for Foreig Missions on Easter Day one in keep ing with the ability of the connection There is no disguising the fact that the chief Pastors in charge of the Church of Allen see and feel the weight of the responsibility resting upon them to do the chief Pastors in charge of the responsibility resting upon them to do the charge of the content of of Allen see and feel the weight of the responsibility resting upon them to de their part in extending the kingdom of God to the utmost parts of the earth. The loved senior, who is the pioneer of the House of Bishops in the Mis sionary movements of the connection is forging his way fifteen hundred miles in Southern Africa, and fourteer thousand miles from home to extend thousand miles from home to extend usand miles from home, to exten-bounds of the kingdom of God an the church of his choice. All of hi colleagues at home are doing who they can to stir the heart of the Church to make extra large Missionary efforts. Bishop Tanner, aside from his Episcopal letter in the Recorder, has written to all of his Pastops a personal card, urging them to make an extraordinary effort for Missouri. Undoubtedly this bespeaks a better day for the Church.

Church were a subscriber to Tu Voice or Missions for at least si months, there would be quite a awakening of the Missionary spirit i the world, and its influence would, on last time. We are pleased to see the spirit of our brethren in the C. M. E. Church to elect Dr. Charles Phillips, the very efficient editor of the "Index" to the Bishopric. The doctor is a young man, possessing rare, scholarly attainments, considerable force and executive ability, successful pastoral experience and Christian character. This combination of forces in him may explain the desire and opinion of his Church, that he is supremely well fitted to fill, with credit to race and Caurch, the exalted position of chief Pastor. Our a quaintance with and knowledge of Dr. Phillips, that dates back to school-boy days in Atlanta University, enables us to say with no small degree of emphasis, "Amen!" to the desire of those who would levate our old friend and worthy brother to the place of highest houor in his Church, for which God and nature has a, for which God and nature has HAVE

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A Plea for Justice.

The Bible teaches us not to despis

world He was subjected to the l

Will anyone point to the fragmory parts of the life of the Master

The Methodist Church had a ve

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The Mission stations and Churche

may meet, or that may arise within he congregations of converts. No! thoug

me rebel, must the work stop?' G

REVEREND F. JESSE PECK, who w

es of the south with much fonces, also his wife. The sad news change of worlds will be considered

them as a stroke to society and urch.- He leaves behind a queenly

Church.— He leaves behind a queenty wife, three daughters and two sons. His elder son, F. Jesse Peck, Jr., who for many years has had to bear the re-sponsibility of father, brother and son, is at present in the front rank of Pas-tors of the Fifth Episcopal District The Votce or Missions is in deep sym-path with the members of the bereav-ed family of our once honosed Pastor

family of our once honored Pasts

and distinguished friend in this th

our of great and supreme distress

MISS EDMONIA L. RANDOLPH,

nakes her face an inspiration to the with whom she comes in confact.

"AM I my brother's keeper?" Ye

"An I my brother's keeper?" Yes orother, you are responsible to God or some misdeed, some evil thought ome short coming that is laid at the loor of that poor unfortunate. In a nuch as your influence caused tha me to act, you have acted. .

Love is born of God and it, one tindled in the soul of man, will live through ternity. Jealusy does not some the soul of the lower than the soul of th

through eternity. Jealousy does no

mean devilishness. To be jealous for any cause means to care for that caus

Give as you would if the angel Awaited your gift at the door, Give as you would it temorrow Found you where giving is o'er. Give as you would to the Master, If you met His searching took,

BISHOP H. M. TURNER, the fear

mistake when it elected this great and and big hearted man to 'the hopric. His love for furnanity as cause of Christ is shown in his. "Show me thy faith withor works, and I will show thee means the shown in the shown that we have a shown in the shown that the s

BISHOP TURNER Writes that, ow

Bishor Tunker writes that, owin, to a dense fog, which kept—the ship back, he reached England too late t-make immediate connection with the ship going to South Africa and wa competted to remain in Landon fix days, which he put to scientific uses and, should he be able to return, will come back more enlightened on cet-tain lines.

BISHOP TURNER was given free a cess to the Houses of Parliament, at was permitted to hear the great state men descuss questions vital, not on to England, but to she world. He re-resents white men from the Unit States as being exceedingly brother! They have forgotten they are whit tast! answered they have forgotten they are white tast! answered they are white tast!

dr every minister in the A. M. E

HAVE I read. "The Black Man's

all appearance.

South Africa, working in the i

nall beginning, but look at her

"day of small things." Oh, wha R. A. WINGARD OF SOUTH CAROLINA

great lesson this is! All things have their infant beginnings. Life in its ultitudinous forms has ever been subject to this rule of gradual development. Every reformation that has lessed mankind in any epoch of the id or new world, has had its infant irth. There never has and ever will be, an exception to its rule. When God gave His Son to world He was subjected to the law Where sleeps the sword? Is righteous justice dead
That murder foul should raise its brazen head,
And unavenged stalk boldly through the land,

the land,
And proudly raise on high its blooddyed hand,
While we, with honor gone, and draggled name, Sit like a wanton in our naked shame

y which his range had range had a lithings should be built up. Thus in the life of Jesus, we see the successive graduations: Manger, cradle hidhood days, carpenter trade, bapien, temptation, before the priestly Ah God! that we should live to se Ah God! that we should this day
this day
When truth and right and love are
filched away;
While where our fathers ruled with where our fathers gentle grace and assassins now

their place, And devils darker than the damned of Do their accursed deeds and murder fell.

The suckling child killed on its moth-er's breast, While loving arms in vain are round

Falls from the shattered hands which could not save, And mocking fiends provide a flery grave. The father damb in death beside it

The Mission stations and Churcher in Africa will be as nature and mar are, and have been in their development into strong and prosperous Conferences. England spent three milion dollars on her missions in Africal (ast year, and will do more for them this year. She has not the time to stop and discuss the pitiful mishaps of dissatisfied elements with which shows meet, or that may arise within he While crackling flames to pitying And timid girls who but an hour

Were sleeping safe behind the bolte door, Half crazed with fright, and blind with smarting pain,
Fly in the darkness from the leader

rain; And brush and thicket in the gre ansferred from this land of sorroud field of contest to the rest that re morn tell How all along their path the red drop ad field of contest to the rest that rains for the people of God in joy use makable on Wednesday, the 9th, is quiet home in Maryland, was is etime in the front ranks of the briant preachers and successful pastor the A. M. E. Church. Aside frois labors in the cast, there are man no remember him as pastor an eacher in Atlanta, Macon and others of the youth with much foncised from the conth with much foncised from the contheter that the contheter is the contheter that the contheter that the contheter is the contheter that the contheter

o Turkish blade that stabs born child, Nor Spanish bloodhound baying fier

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born The object of a just man's righte And what their crime for which suc judgment came? Ah! tell it not, to blazon forth

shame; But with their murd'rers' mem'ry le · it rot, cursed tale, a thing to be forgot-A dusky color was their only sin, And all their guilt the blackness of the skin.

Men of our state, how long shall deeds Men of our same, and like this a like this a Give us a name at which the nation hiss?

[plead the cause of that long faithful

Miss Edmonia L. Randolph, agraduate of Wilberforce University and the daughter of Rev. Prof. J. W. Randolph now of Texas, is performing the duty of private secretary to Bishof Turner with as much ease and accuracy as one would who had been through long years of training in that position. The Bishop is not only fortunate in securing the services of a competen secretary and pleasant conversational ist, but a lady whose cultured—mine makes her face an inspiration to those race, e loyal service time kan ne'e Whose efface; Who, while their masters battled at the Kept want and famine from each South

Near where the Saltkehatchie winds its way
Through tangled glades of cypress and

of bay, There is a lonely mound, half hid from sight, Where tall reeds rustle through each ner night. And resting there within that humble

ost dear to me, though My mamma, she who nursed me when

a boy, And counted nothing hard which gave me joy.
My foster mother. Ah! her love was

for can I silent be while hellish ,"Gop so loved the world that h gave His only begotten Son that who soever believeth in Him should no perish, but have everlasting life: wrong ites down her race with shot and torch and rack And mocks their cries because their skins are black.

> I plead for justice! If our state should her righteous power canno And all

avail To sink this shame, then far across our land, To where our nations council chamber District, North Georgia Conference, Rev. Robert Crumley, Rev. J. A. Wood, now Presiding Elder in the Georgia Conference, Rev. A. G. Gonickey, now located at Conyers, Ga., North Geor-gia Conference, Rev. R. Graham, now Presiding Elder Americus District; Southwest Georgia Conference

I cry, "How long in this great land so Will ye permit such wrongs as this to

ed on high, thou God of truth and right,
Must, sin like this pollate Thy holy

To thee I cry, "How long, oh Lord Wilt Thou per

oh God! and in Thine ange

now pastor at Calhoun, Ga., Rev. L.
Thomas, now pastor at Columbus, Ga.
He did much good.

The present incumbent was assigned to this district at the November conference by Bishop H. M. Turner. We have done what we could to date. We have held each quarter and have preached at every charge. All spoints and pastors have paid us in, full, except Newnan circuit, Zebulon, Delray, Woodbury and Neal. We have been pleasantly surprised at the work done REV. HARRY P. ANDERSON of Morris wu, New Jersey, recently closed on the most profitable revivals in th story of the Church. Brother An orson and wife are indeed God's Mis-onary children. They have long ucc learned how to reach the young cople, and are known by their good

Easter Sarbath, April 10, will be day upon which we will celebrath the resurrection of our blessed Lord as his followers, we will do out providing means of or the ex of His kingdom in every land

A TRUE Missionary is not puffed u ome of our people who bear the nan f Missionary officers have not or uality which goes to make a Mis

THE good citizens of the world pear to be very much disturbed sin the brutal murder of the colored po-master and his little child in So

THE W. H. and F. M. S., of Blakely Ga., under the leadership of Mrs G. Glass, is doing very good we The report is indeed encouraging.

Mrs. S. J. Duncan, general organiz f W's. H. and F. M. Society, is d ing much good in the country place the has her work at heart.

"BE not deceived; God is nocked; for whatsoever a man soweth that shall be also reap." Lynchers

that shall be also reap." Lynchers, beware!

If we would spend more time in meditation and less in gossiping, grave diggers would have some time for rest.

Townsley, Pastor.

This is, with.

out doubt, one of the peatest Churches

out doubt, one of the neatest Churches inside it has been my pleasure to see in a fown of less than 10,000 inhabitants. Everything at this Church is done by system and in order. Rev. S. L. Martin, Ph. D., Pastor.

NEWNAM STATION.—This point was made a station at the last Conference. It has but 72 members as shown by report; yet if they go on as they have gone since Conference, neither they nor the Conference, will regret the step taken. They love and honor their pastor, Rev. H.A. Cromartie, D. D., Pastor.

SHARPSHURG CIRCUIT.—We have two SHARPSBURG CIRCUIT. -We have two

SHARPSBURG CIRCUIT.—We have two Churches here, which sent fifty dollars (\$50) in money. Many of the members are property holders. The pastor and his good wife are striving to be "living examples." Rev. C. J. Bynum, Pastor.

SENGIA CIRCUIT.—Two Churches here—one a new building with \$75 due on it, and the bad weather has kept the Pastor busy. The Church was constructed by Rev. L. A. Townsley. The Pastor is very much like Bisbop Gaines in appearance. Both he and his wife in appearance. appearance. Both he and his wife

REV. GEORGE DOVE DECKER.

Pastor of Providence A. M. E. Church

BY R. L. BEAL.

Awake, ye, awake! awake, it is day

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Take note of the following instru

Take note of the following instruc-tions and be governed accordingly. The North Atlantic fleet will be led by the captains of the New York, Brooklyn, Philadelphia and Washington with their associate flotillas; the South At-lantic squadron will be headed by the Charleston, Atlanta, Savannah, Macon, Birmingham and Mobile; the Gulf Division will place in the van the New Orleans. Galveston, Houston, Waco

Orleans, Galveston, Houston, Wacond Jacksonville; western and Pacific

give the signal to begin with the battle cry, "the world for Jesus." Open fire Let the contest be on the offensive Charge the enemies right and left fore and aft. Bid the unflinching

fore and aft. Bid the unflinching crews stand by their guns and from their-brazen throats belch-forth-the roars like the dread artillery of heaven, with the shout, libre Africa Call attention to to the heroic action of the mighty in profane history: The matchless Washington, the calmness of Hall the invincible Decause the

of Hull, the invincible Decatur, the

to foreign nations, the great achieve ments of Rodney, the conquests of Howe, the exploits of Duncan and the world-renowned victories of the im

world-renowned victories of the ini-nortal Nelson.

Let them not forget our battles ransend all of these, for in the spirit-tal conflict we war not bully against leels and blood, but against principal-ties and powers, and all the rulers of larkness. The battle must be waged-until 10 n. He who returns cover-

darkness. The battle must be until 10 p. m. He who returns cover antil 10 p. m. He who returns cover and with wounds in the thickest of the meritorious

calor, will receive special mention in pur war record. Shades of the might

ference A. M. E. Church.

By Rev. R. D. Stinson, P. E.

or all of Upson, Meriwether, Pike, Spalding, Fayette, Coweta and Troup

The following railroads pass through Central, Georgia Midland, A. & F., C & G., A. & W. P.

The following have been Presiding Elders over it: Dr. H. M. Turner, now Bishop Turner, D.D., Rev. S. B. Jones, now Presiding Elder Elberton District, North Georgia Conference,

st Georgia Conference

Wm. D. Johnson, now Presiding Elder Athens District, North Georgia Con-

ference, Rev. Andrew Brown, deceased, Rev. D. J. McGhee, now pastor of

Macedonia, Atlanta: Rev. A. J. Miller, now pastor at Calhoun, Ga., Rev. L.

pleasantly surprised at the work don on the district. Our men are strong The spiritual and financial conditio

the spiritual and manicial condition the work is encouraging. The mer rship is large, the greater part by g farmers who own from two hum d to seven hundred acres of lan he public schools are in excelle

ondition.
GRIFFIN STATION—This Church was built by Rev. S. L. Mims of Alabana wenty years ago. There is not

regation is more faithful. The pas or and members are planning to build new brisk Charles

new brick Church. The Conference vas largely attended and on the fol-owing Sabbath Bishop Turner or lained Revs. J. A. Stroud, L. W.

lained Revs. J. A. Stroud, L. W. Ogletree, John Harmon as Elders. The Church was crowded and nearly all the leading Pastors on the district were present. Rev. C. J. Bynum preached at 11 o'clock, Rev. H. A. Cromartie preached at 3 o'clock and by request of Rev. L. A. Townsley, Rev. John Harmon preached at 7:30

equest of Rev. John Harmon preached at a sek. Rev. J. R. Fleming, past Homaston Station—Some of Homaston Station—in the state h

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The Griffin District includes a

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"Awake, ye, awake

For the eastern sun is rising

IN BATTLE ARRAY

Freetown, Sierra Leo Coast, Africa.

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tor.
YATESVILLE.—Rev. J. T. Addie did
the best work here last year he has
done since he left the Monticello district. No better work could have been
done under the same conditions. Notwithstanding the smallpox scare, the
Pastor had a good quarter and all the
departments of the Church were looked after. He is a Methodist preacher.
Rev. J. A. Stroud, Pastor.
Palmerro Chroure.—There are some

PALMETTO CIRCUIT. - There are so ood men in this charge. It has tw plendid Churches, and an exceller oung membership. Two or three of coung membership. Two or three of the members own property to the extent of two hundred (200) or three hundred (300) acres. They say no point on the listrict, in proportion to membership, shall do more than they. Rev. John Harmon, Pastor.

NEWNAN CIRCUIT.—There were three point here, but the Pastor gave up one, as he did not wish to have more work than he could perform with sat-

ne, as ne did not wish to have more corek than he could perform with satefaction, he therefore gave up Grautille Mission. His charge is in good
rder. The Pastor is intelligent and
nergetic. There are land owners
mong his flock. Rev. E. J. Holland,
'astor.

and Jacksonville; western and Pacific ships of the line will place in the forefront the St. Louis, Chicago, San Francisco and Denver. As the munitions of war are already assembled on your crafts, at early dawn bestir your crews in special knee drill. At 10:30 a. m., from the stern of the first ships of the line, unfurl the general colors (the Bible) red cross upon a field of white, from the main top give the signal to begin with the battle astor.
Thomaston Chrcuit.—Three good oints keep the Pastor busy. This tembership is faithful. They pay teir bills and ask for what they may eed. The pastor is said to be a soul eviving man of God, and his people we him. Rev. J. W. English, Pastor.

anything except a pleasant time, as w had been informed that all hearts wer ot united and that neither Pastor not united and that neither Pastor nor Presiding Elder had fared well for years previous. But when the Pastor had read his reports, and we had com-pleted our part of the work, we said, "There is more in the man than there is in the land." Rev. L. W. Ogletree, Pastor.

DELBOY CIRCUIT.—We were here Delicov Chechr.—we were here on saturday eve. We know the Pastor to be interested in his work. He has a very good Church of sixty-five mem-bers. He hopes to be able to do what is requested. Rev. A. C. Chirless,

NEAL CIRCUIT.—This is one of the NEAL CIRCUIT.—This is one of the st points on the district. Two nurches compose the charge; the Pas-ris highly pleased with his people, nee of the points has given us trouble, we built a house upon the land be-nging to another party, and we hold no deed. Some time, as well as money, may be lost at this place. We need more business men in the Church. The Pastor is a good preacher. Rev. Austin Arnold, Pastor.

our war record. Shades of the mighty Allen, Quinn and Payne look down upon you; Rear Admiral Turner will review the fleet in annual maneuver immediately after battle.

In our next brevet will be given to the most distinguished officers of the line—also to all subordinates. What say the Bradwells, Mixons and Shermans of the gallant Sixth? Woodbury Circuit. - We have three WOODBURY CIRCUIT.—We have three oints here which need much attention, which must be given hefore we ill realize much-benefit. The best oint has a good Church built by the resent Pastor. He is leaving no part f his duty undone. His people love im. Rev. W. C. Davis, Pastor. BROOK STATION CIRCUIT.—FOUR Griffin District, North Georgia Con-

BROOK STATION CIRCUIT. — Four points compose this charge. We held at this point one of the most pleasant quarters ever before held on the district. The Paster possesses. The Pastor possesses many qualities. Notwithstanding the trict. The Pastor possesses many manly qualities. Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, we found exergithing in excellent order. They paid in 'full, and we left after the morning service. Rev. H. S. Stamps,

astor.

ORCHARD HILL CIRCUIT—This charge not what the conference intended it be. It is neither a station nor a ission for we have not one member Orchard Hill nor Milner. We have very nice Church built by Rev. L. Townsley at Double Cabin. The state has done very wall with whom tor has done very well with what

has done very well with Manhe has but we really expect a Church to be built at each of the above named places by Conference. Rev. J. B. English, Pastor.

WILLIAMSON MISSION—This is a good place: the Atlanta, Columbus and Fort Valley railroads meet here. We have

Valley railroads meet here. We have the right brother at this point. If there is any man who can build, it is the present Pastor, Rev. C. Sapington.
Grantsville Misston—We should have had a Church here years ago.
Rev. W. M. Dunson started us in this place last year. Bev. M. J. Miles was sent here a few weeks ago. He should do much here with his gift.— Rev. M. J. Miles, Pastor.
Greenville Misston.—To say that we have no church af this point, is to we have no church af this point, is to

ious are in many ways deserving dev. W. M. Dunson, Pastor. Swipton Misson.—This includes on

f the Churches on the Logtown Cir it. We hope to do much good a is point. Kev. B. R. Glass, Pastor MAUNDILLE MISSION.—Here is a lace that promisses to do much for s if once our flag can come to the reeze. The Pastor is trying to do his oreeze. The Pastor is trying to do his luty. Rev. I. Heard, Pastor.
Zebulos Checur.—We have three points here and the quarter was indeed a success. The people appear to well pleased. Rev. F. W. Mary, Pas-

much good work can be accomplished if we may have God sent preachers who have the people and God in view, We hope to do well on Easter Day,

ents per copy. Agents send us threents and retain two cents.

A MAN may be led, but no man wi

WE are truly grateful to the breth ren who have, from time to time, sen in the names of new subscribers.

Rev. W. J. Fenouson sends enconraging reports from Roxie, Ga.

IN MEMORY OF MRS. MARTHA ELIZ ABETH TURNER

en sun sank slowly dade "good night" to a world of per Bade "good night" to joys and ills Blowly it sank in golden splendor, Left the world to cares and dream some in pain and misery lingering-Some to murmur sweetest themes. Ere the rising of that sun

Ere the rising of that sun
A noble spirit winged its flight,
Soared to a land of peace and comfort
Far beyond the land of night,
On the silent wings of morning
Ere the world was aroused from sleep
Mother Martha crossed the river
To where none is ever known to weep. Though we wish her loving pres

Though it give us Inward pain we possess the blest assurance That we shall see her once again Ere long you'll cross the river

ere to sing with saints and angels There to praise God ever me or His tender love and mercy Shown you in this world of w FLANDRES N. DOZIER

THE A. M. E. CHURCH, BY MRS. E. MAKIELL.

That we are taught to love se well? here God, in power, His spirit sends And draws our trembling souls from he

Whence came the name of A. M. E .. For freedom, to serve His gracious Lor In freedom, His prayers to send Up to a God, whose precious Son Died to redeem ALL MEN.

, Allen, while in prayer to God That but one Master he would serve

Twas in an humble black-she Our church began to pray, And praise the name of Him who came And in a manger lay.

and ever onward marching and by God's aid today we stand

Until today on Afric's shores ousands of their native sons

Worship under their own fig tree and with assistance from our God We'll spread the news o'er land and see 'hat under this banner all true men ma

BISHOP H. M. TURNER ON HIS WAY TO SOUTH AFRICA.

BY DR. E. E. MAKIELL What a strange man!

Was there ever a more inexplicable an than Henry McNeal Turner? Was in than Henry nearest ere ever an instance of more absolu-votion to God and His cause? devotion to God and His cause? We have seen many instances of life-long and ardnous devotion to God and his work, in ordinary-ways, but not on lines so difficult, dangerous and farreaching. The whole life of Bishop Turner has been one of daring. Looked at from a human point of view, it seems like reckless daring, almost foolhardiness. And yet not so. All who have known him for 26 years, as I have, know he is not inconsiderate

who have known him for 26 years, a I have, know he is not inconsiderat of danger, much less deflant. Hencer courts exposure and perils; but is utterly indifferent to them when they come between him and what he conceives to be the call of God. Bishop Turner has been criticise for pursuing an erratic and mawis course. Many of his undertaking have been deemed impracticable. But have been deemed impracticable.

brought something valuable to pa If he is crazy, there has been my ss think and have said, he has to can be truthfully said that the

Vhere is the man of our race, wh brow is decorated with like laure Thank God for such a man as Her McNeal Turner.

He has been the soul of the me

He has been the soul of the movement for our church to, see the gravitof the situation of thousands of ou
people in Africa; in total ignorance o
the A. M. E. Church. Today, through
his earnest endeavors and the aid o
Almighty God, our churches are being
established in that dark country. Afsica must bee and will be, redeemed
Her sins may have been careful.

Her sins may have been great, but Christ's love and power are greater. Sometimes it takes the shedding of blood and the sacrificing of the lives of his saints, as well as the blood and life of Christ, to redeem a nation. He knows best, but Africa will be redeemed and Christianized. Now is the time for the A. M. E. Church to come to Bishop Turner's supports in his landable undertaking, and send men and money to Africa, and prayers to God for their success. God grant that "Easter Day" do much toward this end.

"Easter Day" do much toward this end.

Although death stopped and brought Although death stopped and brough sorrow to the heart of our belove sorrow to the heart of our beloved Bishop, it did not turn him from the work of his Master. With a prayer to God for his success, he bravely stepped on deck of the "Steamer Lucania," sailed for South Africa to extend the borders of "African Meth-odism." He shows to the world by his actions that he is ready to serve his God, his church and his race in this or any other country. May God crown his work with abundant success and return him safely back to us in health. Union Springs, Ala. March 11, 208

Union Springs, Ala., March 11, '98

When you hear that some one has poken ill of you, do not get angry till on know for certain that the inform-tion is true. THE days of your years on the eart!

will soon be numbered; therefore the passing day wisely and well. Voice of Missions subs price, 50 cents per year, 80 Youge street, Atlanta, Ca. Dr. Parks and Missions.

It is quite befiting to use our modern proverbial "sayings," at some times, places and in some cases, that Dr. Parks is the right man in the right place, is swident from what he has done. As a matter of fact the Missionary Department is just now being properly known and felt by the Missionaries and the Mission field. The A. M. E. Church was organized in the city of Toronto on the promise that A. M. E. Church was organized in the city of Toronto on the promise that money would be sent from the Mis-sionary department to support the Church. That promise is now being fulfilled.

Oakville and Sarnia Mission, which was organized abou eight months ago by the writer, are also receiving aid

by the writer, are also receiving aid regularly.

My heart was filled with joy unspeakable to read from the pen of one of the pen of

of his willingness to speak to them on the all important subject of Missions at St. Johns A. M. E. Church at 2:30 p. m. Although the notice of his meeting had been given but a few hours, about one hundred people assembled in St. John A. M. E. Church at the appointed time, the congregation being largely representative of the sisters of the Mite Missionary Society. The platform was occupied by Dr. Parks, Rev. Geo. W. Maxwell, Rev. C. Bundy, Mr. Hanton, secretary Y. M. C. A. of Nashville, Tenn., students of Witherforce and Rev. J. Clay Coleman of Toronto, Ontario. nn of Toronto, Ontario. Dr. Parks in making his addres id: "The A. M. E. Church wa

saidt "The A. M. E. Church was never more prosperous. The A. M. E. Church is a Missionary Church. It was engaged in Missionary work in the early days of Missionary effort. Bishop Allen himselt was Missionary inclined and was at the first Conference of the A. M. E. Church in America. Our Missionary field at present consists of Bermudas, Barbados, Demarara, Hayti and Africa. The work is progressing and Africa. The work is progressing in Nova Scotia. The Rev. Sealy is superintending the Bardados, De rara and South American Missions

rara and South American Missions excellently.

I received an encouraging letter
from him receptly. He being successful in lifting means to build a Church
at Bridgetown. In San Domingo the
people are tiberal. We have three
pieces of valuable property there.
There are but seven years difference
between the age of Church at San Domingo and Bethel at Philadelphia.
The Ray Dorson is superintending mingo and Bethel at Philadelphia. The Rev. Dorsey is superinteuding the work in Hayti. He reports the work all right. The work in Africa has grown to three Annual Conferences. Within a few weeks Bishop Turner will land in Cape Town, South Africa, and will begin the organization of the fourth Conference.

We have 1, 700 compunicants in Afr.

We have 1,700 communicants in Af hurch property at Sierra Leone value \$5,000. The Eliza Turner School at \$5,000. The Eliza Turner School, with 300 boys and girls is completed. The Sarah Gorham Mission is an honor to the great colored woman of Boston. Our financial income last year amounted to \$16,900 total. Bighop Turner expects to remain five months in Africa. His object for going to Africa is twofold. First, to look after matters, connected with the Church, and eondly, to plant the banner of Afri m Methodism in the South. I ar leased to say that \$900 must be cred ed to the Mite Missionary Society in e last year's income. The this piscopal District excels the other

lections in other years. \$3,700 ha ousand tracts, five hundre ibles and 800 Christian Recorde ave been sent to Mission fields ig the past year. I thank God the the past year. I thank God that have some students in Wilberforce eparing for the Mission field. We we one loctress soon to leave for

frica. Mr. Marshall Mokeke of Johannes urg, South Africa, who came to merica last August now student in Vilberforce University, was intro ent made by Mr. Mok was that the chief of his preaching on the text: "Ethiopia stretch forth her hand unto God," through his most impulsive ende succeeded in organizing a cl

cceeded in organizing a church sich now has 1,000 members. Mr. Mokeke expressed thanks for the Voice of Missions sent to them. The choir then beautifully sang.

There is a Royal Banner."

Mr. Henry C. Msikinza of Kimber Mr. Henry C. Msikinza of Kimber-ley, South Africa, now student in Wil-berforce, spoke on "The Condition of My People in South Africa." The speaker urged on the true-hearped Missionary workers to go to South Afri-ca, because the chiefs pay ivory for the services of Missionaries. This e services of Missionaries. T eans that the "fields are white a arvest waiting."

arvest watting.

A cordial reception was given the
lev. Dr. Parks and the writer in the
assement of the Church after service.
ust here it is well to mention that the
level by Parks was requested to reust here it is well to mention that the tev. Dr. Parks was requested 40.xx-nain over Sunday evening and preach by the Mite Missionary representation, it more soul satisfying sermon filled with eloquence and instruction I have tever heard. During the service the he front seats with a de eautiful badges. May the Lord bless Brother Parks

J. C. COLEMAN, Toronto, Ont., Canada.

Christ In Africa.
Mr. Johnston, of West Africa, restes the following very instructive in

lates the following very instructive in cident:

'In visiting a sick member, his wife, who was formerly in our school was present. I asked if they prayed together, read a part of the Scripture (the woman can read), constantly at tended public worship, and lived in peace with their neighbors. All these questions were answered in the affirmative.

ative.
"I then asked if they lived in peace together. The man apswered: Sometimes I say a word my wife no like, or my wife talk or do what I no like; but when we want to quarre', then we shake hands together, shut the door, and go to prayer, and so we get peace again. This method of keeping peace quite delighted me."—Christian Leader.

Man's Life.

dan's life is but a working day Whose tasks are set aright: time to work, a time to pray,

and then, please God, a quiet night white,
A long-drawn breath, a balm for sorrow,
And all things lovely on the morrow,
—Christina G. Rosser

SONNET TO MY MOTHER.

nd canst thou, Mother, for an That we, thy children, who ts blanching Could from

sink
Then we, ungrateful, leave the

Or shun thee, tottering cold brink. lanish the thought!—who

may roam, O'er smiling, plains, or

And paint the pleasures of thy peaceful

home; hile duty bids us all thy griefs assuage, And smooth the pillow of the

THE LAKE CITY ASSASSINATION,

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It is impossible to describe the unmanliness of those brutal murderers,
who, in blood-thirsty rage, slaughtered the postmaster at Lake City, South
Carclina, a few nights ago. The
crime is without a parallel in the history of demoniacal outrages ever perpetrated upon an innocent people in
tids or any other civilized country.

Who, but a band of the lowest type
of the human family, could go to the
home of a man, at the dead hour of

of the human family, could go to the home of a man, at the dead hour of night, saturate his dwelling with kerosene, set it on fire, sound an alarm, and then fill the body of the man whom they had awakened out of sleep, with bullets, while he struggled in the maddened flames to escape for his life! Not content with this awful crime, but satisfying themselves only with shooting his infant child out of the arms of its, mother, and breaking ones here is the structure. its mother, and breaking one of h arms with a bullet, leaving the bodi arms with a bullet, leaving of their victims to be consumed by the fires of the building.

the fires of the building.

In the face of this horrifying crime, this double murder of the most cruel type known to man, we are forced to ask, "Is God Dead?" Will justice forever sleep?

If Baker had been a criminal, or if

e had even been under suspicion having committed some foul crime then there might be a class of citizen then there might be a class of citizens who could form some kind of an excuse, if wanting in value, for the action of this mob. Think of it! Mr. Baker was not only a good citizen, but an officer of the United States government in the discharge of his duty, with no complaint against him other than that, over which he had no control, and for which God Almighty only was responsible; he was a News only was responsible; he was a Negro. Will the day never come when the na Will the day never come when the nation will protect the lives of its citizens from midnight outlaws and destructionists, who go about whenever they are pleased to do so, scattering missiles of death into whatever house and community that their maddened frenzy may dictate.

We cannot believe that there is any indisposition on the part of the nation to protect the prace of the citizens from death at the hands of such flends; nor can we doubt that the righteous indisposition on the part of the categories.

death at the hands of such flends; nor can we doubt that the righteous indignation of the true citizens of the Palmetto state does not look down upon the cowardly actions of Baker's murderers with holy horror. We sympathize with them, knowing as we do, the force of state pride and love.

This is not a race question but a question of justice affecting the rights of American citizens to live in peace.

f American citizens to live in peace and happiness, and discharge the du-ies imposed upon them by the nation ies imposed upon them of to which they are loyal citi believe that if the proper believe that if the proper steps taken the government will show its disposition to do the right thing to all by giving Mr. Baker's widow a compe-tency upon which to live, and to pre-vide for the education of her children

n the future. est lond and long in righteous i test loud and long in righteous non-nation against Spanish harbarity in Cuba, will, without regard to race or color, give their hearty consent and co-operation to the postmaster general, the president of the nation, members of congress, the press, or any and all of the friends of humanity, who will take un the righteous cause of Baker's take up the righteous caus afflicted widow and fatherle

A MOST BRUTAL OUTRAGE. The people at Lake City, S. C., did t want a colored man by the of Baker to serve as postn they organized a mob of about the hundred, went upon him at dead of night, fired his house and shot him and his family down as they ran out. Mr. Baker and his babe in the mother's arms were killed outright and cremated in the burning building. His wife, two days they are a seriously two daughters and son were serio wounded, they are said to be mai for life.

A mob of three hundred to kil A mob of three hundred to kill our man and his helpless wife and children, think of how we are denounced as a race when some crime is even supposed to be committed by a single member of the race. But here we have a band of to better and no worse than the of savages who used to perpetra of savages who used to perpetrate sactory outrages on the early white settlers of this country. Yes, they are worse, top; for in the case of the ignorant savages, he did not know the stranger and feared he was going to take from him his lands and privileges. These men are actuated by their prejudices only, and may God have mercy upon them and may God have mercy upon theirs. We see nothing else to go right on laboring at whate government or others give us to A prominent gentleman of that state

vrites dis:
"Surely we, in South Carolina,
cassing through the valley of
thadow of death." We are trout
provoked and wrought up to a
pitch of indignation. Well may itch of indignation. xclaim, 'My Lord and my God

"My heart is too full to say more just now. I feel more like weeping. This makes six, lynchings this year. —Southwestern Christian Advocate. IF you grow cold toward your friend

when you do not need his services, and forget the services which he rendered you when you did need them, then you are a very ungrateful man. Ir you undertake to answer all the unkind things that are said about you, the probabilities are that you will not have much time left for any-thing also.

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Where there are so many makes of bicreies on the market, all of which at first
agat seem to be on an equal footing to the
casual observer, and still the fact is well
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COLONEL RENIAMIN'S LOVELL

It is impossible to trace the originate the domestic cat with certainty to any existing specie or variety of wild-cat, indeed, says the Boston Journal, the time at which the cat was first do-mesticated and introduced to huntan

Most farmers understand that t nost tarmers understand that the mass of broad wagon tires gives an advantage in the matter of a lighte draft, and, as they are usually mounted on low frames, an advantage is gained in loading and unleading. The

gained in loading and unleading. The broad tires pull much lighter on paves streets, gravel roads and dirt roads in all conditions except when soft or muddy, in such cases the narrow tires are to be preferred. For use on the farm, in meadow lands, corn lands and in fact on all kinds of land in all kinds of shape, the broad tire shows a lighter draft and is to be preferred.

in learning to perform that operation in ten seconds I have spoiled more than two bushels of such eyes as yours .- Tit-Bits

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ruggists refund money if it falls to cure. 25c.

The guardians of the peorhouse in Oldham, England, recently discontinued the daily al-lowance of half-a-pint of beer to each in-mate, whereupon most of them went on a strike, leaving the institution.

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ls America's Greatest Medicine. \$1; six for \$5. Sold by all druggists. Get only Hood's.

Hood's Pills are the best after-dinner pills, aid digestion, 25c. PISO'S CURE FOR DE COURS WHITE ALL HISE FAILS. DE COURS WHITE ALL HISE FAILS. DE COURS WHITE ALL HISE FAILS. DE COURS WHITE ALL HISE FAILS FAILS. DE COURS WHITE FOR THE COURS WHITE FAILS FAILS FAILS FAILS FAILS FAILS. DE COURS WHITE FOR THE COURS WHITE FAILS FAILS

RANDOM NOTES.

The connection will welcome Dr. Heard to America as one of her faithful and successful sons, whether at home with those he has ever been taught to love, or in Africa with the strangers who are so far from the God of his fathers.

The "Voice" is very grateful to Dr H. T. Johnson, Ph. D., of the "Re corder" for the active part he ha taken with his far-reaching pen to success this year

Dr. Cheeks of the "Southern Dr. Cheeks of the "Southern Recorder" is not forgotten in gratitude.
Prof. H. T. Keating, A. M., has not
failed to discuss in "Review" in the
most able manner the cause of Missions, its imperative demand upon
Christianity and the foreign work of
the Church. We beg the blessings of
God upon these faithful co-laborers in
the Master's vineyard.

The next issue of the "Voice" will contain the list of the Pastors and Sunday school superintendents who send in the Easter Day reports from their Churches and schools. All will do well to send their money to Dr. Parks, 61 Bible House, New York, MONDAY after Easter, so that he can have plenty of time to record every name and amount correctly.

Will Drs. Cook, Johnson, Henderson, Coppin, Alexander, Cary, Townsend, Beckett, Scaton, Davis or Steritt lead, or stand at the head of the ist of contributors to Missions this rear, or will some one whose name is not on this list rise up and by his work, win the crown of the Missionary

We hope that the churches and Sun y schools of the connection will take ans to learn the programme sent out Easter Day services this year by Parks.

Bishop Grant, D. D., of the First Discict, preached a very impressive serpeople into the church. It was rally day. Dr. Henderson and the Trustees reported \$1,170 receipts at the conclusion of the evening services. Bishop Detrick, Drs. Moore and Cook assisted the Pastor and Bishop Grant. D Cook preached at 3 o'clock. His se

Doubtless the readers of The Voice
will read the address of Bishop Derrick, delivered at the General Conference of 92, in Philadelphia, Pa., with
much interest, for its valuable information upon some of the very important facts connected with the life of
our distinguished and beloved Bishop
Turner, who, while the paper is being
M. S.
Bishop J. A. Handy, St.
Stephen Ch., Wilmington,
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Dec. 16, Received from Mrs.
A. Hander, J. Hander, Furner, who, while the paper is being ead, is laboring to plant and extend he missions of the church of God in cathen Arion.

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eathen Africa. It is interesting to note the vast number of prominent men in the A. M. E. Church that this great leader M. E. Church that this great leader has been the means of producing and elevating to places of prominence in the religious world, and the paper has not mentined anything like all of them. Young men are requested to read this great man's life and profit by it. As he has done, others may do.

Rocks Mount A. M. E. Church.

allow me space in your columns to insert the following:
On last Friday night, March 11th, at Rocky Mount A. M. E. Church, Rev. E. C. Russell-pastor, Mrs. Sarah J. Duncan, state lecturer and organizer of the Women's Home and Foreign Missionary societies, gave a grand lecture and aroused great interest for the cause of Missions among all who heard her eloquent plea. Thirty-seven names were immediately added to the roll of the Women's Home ed to the roll of the Women's . Home

till the Master shall say, one, thou good and faithful

Jonesboro District Conference.

The Jonesboro District Conference convened Feb. 22, 23, 24, at Little Bethel, Nordena, Ark, at 10 o'clock a. m., with Presiding Elder J. E. Neal in the chair. After going through the regular routine of business the Presiding Elder proceeded to deliver the annual address, which was an able discourse, oratorical, logical, instructive and pathetic. His love for humanity was clearly set forth while his addience sat drinking from the fountain of inspiration. The pastor and people of the Jonesboro district love our presiding elder. We, as ministers, have resolved to stand by our Presiding Elder in bringing our district to the front spiritually and financially. The good people and pastor at Nodena gave the conference a hearty reception in the city, and a cordial welcome to their homes.

Brother T. J. Hill preached the Misses Brother T. J. Hill preached the Misses and the conference in the city and a cordial welcome to their homes.

Brother T. J. Hill preached the Missionary sermon, which was soul-stirring and it electrified the people. At the close of his sermon fifty persons presented themselves at the altar to be made a subject of prayer, and one united with the church.

Each charge was taxed ten dollars for shorter University. The brethren are thoroughly aroused on the subject of education. Sixty-eight dollars and ninety-eight cents was collected, fifty dollars of which went for Shorter University.

dollars of which were to describe the dearth of the guarterly report is submitted to the president, officers and member of the W. P. M. M. Society of the A. Jonesboro District is moving along as never before. The banner still waves on high. The Nodena Circuit leads the district so far, and, by the help of field, we expect to go up to the Annual Conference with victory perched on our banner.

H. F. Bletson, Nodena, Ark.

Too fleet the hours slip by With feet untarrying; Too soon is lost the sky of the field of the field

The Happiest Heart.

Who drives the horses of the sun Shall lord it but a day; Better the lowly deed were done, And kept the humble way. The rust will find the sword of fame, The dust will hide the crown;
The dust will hide the crown;
Aye, none shall nail so high his name
Time will not tear it down.

The happiest heart that ever beat Was in some quiet breast
That found the common daylight

And left to heaven the rest.

__John Vance Cheney.

QUARTERLY REPORT

Of the Treasurer of the W. P. M. M. Society From Nov. 4, 1897, to

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Dec. 27, Received from Miss M. Sampson, Fikesville, Pa. Dec. 29, Received from Mrs. C. E. Peterson, Selma, O. Dec. 31, Received from Mrs. M. S. Douse, Pittsburg, Pa., Wylie St. Ch. 1898. Jan. 3, Received from Rev. E. S. Shaffer, S. C. An. Conf. Jan. 3, Received from Lena Dills, Gallipolis, O., M. M. S. Jan. 3, Received from Mrs. Bishop A. W. Wayman, Andues

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with their kinnes.

Brother T. J. Hill preached the Missonary sermon, which was soul-stirdelegates to Mrs. Bishop

Jan. 14, Paid for stationery and postage and sending con-tributions. Whole amount expenditures. \$111 42

Balance \$110 58
This quarterly report is submitted to the president, officers and members of the W. P. M. M. Society of the A.

Too feet the hours sup by
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Too soon is lost the sky
Of life-renewing spring;
Too soon comes Autumn's breath
With presages of death. Yet, though the red rose fade, And the green fields lie waste, Despoiled and disarrayed; Though ceaselessly we haste To our dim heritage Down the gray paths of age: There is one thing that Time, The great all-conqueror.

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There youth perennial dwells.

—Harper's Ban

sinding down the side of a glacter on a surface that tilts toward destruction at an angle of forty-five degrees.

Davos and St. Moritz, Switzerland, are the two big tobogganing centers of Europe. At these places greater risks are taken and excitement is more rampant than at any other place on the Continent. Lives are lost—women's lives, too.

The marriage customs of nations are quaint. Here is one which is describ-ed by a traveler: A Hottentot widow marrying again has to cut off the joint marrying again has to cut on the joint of a finger, which she gives to her new husband on her wedding day. Each time she becomes a widow and marries again she has to sacrifice one finger joint.

How They Are Valued. What do you think of the dog?

sked the owner.

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"He might do pretty well in the ountry somewhere or pretty far out in the suburbs," he said, "but he in't homely enough to ever bring such of a price among the dog-owners of the fashionable world."—Chicago lost.

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ould not give your Compound for all the doctors' medicine in the world. In not praise it enough."

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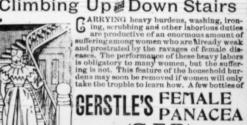
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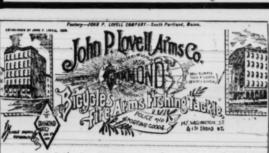
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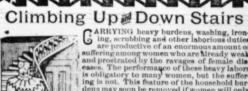














Fore on Misssions the Test of Cl ristian Character."

BY REV. J. H. ADAMS, D. D., P. E. OF THE ALBANY DISTRICT,

The foreign missionary call abide the same through all generations; it the intensity of its personal applition it is new every year. As a pritical question it is as simple as it sublime. To what extent will the disciples of Christ, dwelling in Christian lands, become in their own day messengers of the glad tidings of salvation to the unevangelized nations of the earth? As applied to our own land and our own generation, the question is: How widely and how efficiently will the men of America, during the closing years of the nine-teenth century, proclaim Jesus Christ and him crucified to the men of Arica, of India, of China, of Japan, of Turkey, of Papal Europe, of Mexico, of the islands of the Pacific, and of any other accessible land to which the Providence of God shall especially summon us. It is a personal ques To what extent will the tion to be decided, as reaction over ability and opportunity, by each individual. It is also a public question to be considered and, according to their measure of wisdom and consecration, decided by associated

practical belief in certain important truths, but pre-eminently spiritual life even the life of Christ himself. That life was love, love for the lost race of man, love for every perishing soul. Christ clearly discerned the utter hopelessness of man in his sin. He saw down the fathomless depths whither that sin was sinking him, He beheld also the sublime heights toward the infinite and eternal God up which that soul redeemed might ascend. believers.

This is the question which in som form underlies and pervades the reports and discussions of many missionary meetings, and it must so continue with increasing emphasis sionary meetings, and it must so co tinue with increasing emphase so long as our missionary deartment is cherished as the machannel through which we prese ourselves and our offerings for it spread of the gospel in foreign land So broad is the question when it taken to our hearts in a manner comparation and derece to its input. that soul redeemed might ascend. From those depths he stooped to de-live, up those heights he rose to ex-alt, and his self-sacrifice is the divine surate in any degree to its impo both to individuals and churches, tha both to individuals and churches, that it may appropriately be called the test of Christian character. In other words, the distinctively Christian pur-pose puts in the forefront our Lord's most aggressive work, the proclama-tion of His gospel to the entire world, or it ceases to be, in the proper sense, Christian. secration answers the question. It is a fair test of Christian character. "Christ's sacrificial love, the type and measure of Christian love, is of the essence of Christianity." The same

I—FUNDAMENTAL DOCTRINF.

This test may appropriately apply in the first place to our practical belief in the fundamentals of Christian doctrine. These are summed up in the comprehensive word of our Lord, "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life," a world sinful and perishing, exposed to a righteous and remediless ruin; a world redeemed through the interposition of divine grace in the sacrificial offering of the only begotten Son; provision for personal partici-

of the orly begotten Son provision for personal partici-pation in this free and full redemption by every individual through the exer

tion. And here they are today beneath the heavens, which declare His
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is full of His riches; wilful transgressors against His law and against His
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their description of the strength of the st their deserved and unending retrib tion. Apply this thought definitely to a single individual, considering what under the thraldom and woe of che sinking down in

cession goes on, emphasizing dreadful power and penalty and do of sin. The only objection to suc description as this is that it is utter

or sin. The only objection to such a description as this is that it is utterly inadequate to give a picture of the reality. No human imagination can represent that, and none need attempt it. If the fact itself-clearly revealed to us in God's own word impress us not, we shall fail to be impressed. But surely it is a fair question, though somewhat incisive: "If you honestly believe that the multitude of men of all nations and peoples on the effeth are perishing in sin, why do you not put forth a hundredfold the effort you do to save them? You honestly believe that this is the condition of millions of the human family in Africa and China. What have you done during the last year to rescue them?" Possibly, indeed, this inquiry is put to us as a taunt, and it might be easy to retort upon the questioner. And yet, when soberly asked, is it an unfair question as a test of Christian character?

2. Take another of the great truths VI_CONSECRATION OF PROPERTY.

The roll of the living membership of the Evaugelical Churches of the United The roll of the living membership of the Evangelical Churches of the United States records today over 10,000,000 names—one-fifth of the entire population. Thousands of these names are members of the African Methodist. Episcopal Church, the main constituency of the Missionary Department. Though there's a number in Allen's mighty band, they do not do near what they ought. As an actual fact, there are probably 200,000 members who give nothing at all, and another 100,000 whose gifts do not average an annual dime. The most careful analysis of the sources of help from our churches makes it probable that somewhat less than one-fourth of the membership; and even as to these, none what less than one-fourth of the membership; and even as to these, none selves that the proportion of those who, by self-denial, give all they possible. 2. Take another of the great truth to which allusion has been made. The Lord Jesus Christ has tasted death for every man, and has so provides for every man's deliverance. The

sonal trust in the gracious, Almighty
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to save even to the uttermost. You to it. Let no individual fail to hear it. It is sufficient for every one, able to save even to the uttermost. You positively believe this fact. You of clory in it. You set it over against the power and doom of sin. You call it "the glad evangel." You sing anthems of praise over it. Do you positively believe it as related to every inhabitant of Africa, of India. of China, of the islands of the sea? To how many of them have you proclaimed that gospel during the past year? At what cost of treasure and personal sacrifice? How broad are our plans today? How intent are we upon their execution that we may bear this message to every one who can possibly be reached during this year and the year to come? Is not this a fair fest of Christian character? character? Are we quite ready to have this abide as a permanent record?

The question is more emphatic who

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this abide as a permanent record?
VII—THE MISSIONARY SPIRIT IN THE
HOME CRURCHES.
Suppose we should persue our inquiries into the history of particular
churches and pulpits. How many
times during the past year has the
definite foreign missionary consecration entered into the instructions
and pervaded the devotions of the
sanctuary? How thoroughly has it sanctuary? How thoroughly has it permeated the social worship of the permeated the social worship of the week? In reply to such questions as these, there are ministers and representatives of churches, not a few, whose response will be hearty and prompt. If there be any topic, which they know is uppermost in their thoughts, kept prominent always and everywhere, as first in importance, underlying all else, it is the advance of the-Kingdom of Christ throughout the world. This enters vitally into almost every sermon and every 'supplication. The missionary concert of prayer is the central attraction of every month, dear alike to old and young, full of spiritual life and power, around which gather the whole work and training of the church. No one such a pulpit, and church, and Sur day school, but it is at once apparer that the controlling thought enterin o what degree is this love of Christ are own personal life? How powerful-does it constrain? How urgently cost it impel? How intensely does it-urn as an unquenchable flame? No ords can possibly express the pro-und tenderness of the longing heart-

else is subordinate.

Happy are such Churches and such
Pastors! May God multiply them a

But this is not true of all. Indeed. there are some to whom the simple question "Have you ever surrendered yourself to a definite personal foreign Missionery consecration?" is a new,

idea is well put, in a periodical as follows: "Missionary effort is doubtless the spontaneous outcome of spiritual life. The church must tell it out among the brethren that the "Lord reigneth," when it has once felt the power of divine grace. Missionary effort is the response of real gratitude for redeeming grace; it is the expression of sympathy with all the misery of unforgiven sin and satan's boundage. and will carry with it everything else. It will emphasize the truths preached in the pulpit and taught in the Sun-day-school. It will give the type to every season of religious revival. It will direct us to the best methods of will direct us to the best methods of generous and systematic beneficence. It will overywhere broaden (Christian thought, enlarge Christian inquiry, deepen Christian purpose, intensify christian zeal, and put a new significance as well as a new energy into every department of Christian work. Why should not the response be prompt and hearly.

Looking upon the millions of Africa, of China, of India, gathering about us today, nearly all of them easily accessible, wiiting for the message committed Add to this the consideration of per-sonal loyalty to Christ as commander who has placed us under definite or-ders. It is difficult to conceive of any energy of language by which the dis-tinctive foreign missionary idea could have been thrust out into bolder proh-ingness constituting the aggressive

of the only begotten provision for personal participation in this free and full redemption by every individual through the exercise of personal faith. These are the personal faith. The same furths, by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, through the world of the apostle Panl, are again compressed into one sentence: "God was in Christ reconciling the world and preach the gospet of the apostle Panl, are again compressed into one sentence: "God was in Christ reconciling the world and preach the gospet of the personal faith of the world and making full provision in the world and making full provision for its deliverance. This world of reconciling the personal faith of the world and making full provision for its deliverance. This world of reconciling the provision for its deliverance. This world of reconciling the provision for its deliverance. This world of reconciling the provision for its deliverance. This world of reconciling the provision for its deliverance. This world of reconciling the provision for its deliverance. This world of reconciling the provision for its deliverance. This world of reconciling the provision for its deliverance. This world of reconciling the provision for its deliverance. This world of reconciling the provision for its deliverance. This world of reconciling the provision for its deliverance. This world of reconciling the provision for its deliverance. This world of reconciling the provision for its deliverance are the provision of the provision for its deliverance. This world of reconciling the provision for its deliverance are the provision of the provision for its deliverance are the provision of the

A QUESTION.

ELIZABETHTOWN, KY.,
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Rt. Rev. Bishop H. M. Turner, D.D.,
the Editor of The Voice of Mis-

souls? "How much owest thou unto thy Lord?" How much lovest thou him who gave his life for thee? We answer these questions by what we do or fail to do, by what we give or decline to give, for the procla-mation of the same glad tidings to those who most need to receive them. It is a fair test of the genuineness and depths of our Christian character. those who most need to receive them. It is a fair test of the genuineness and depths of our Christian character, Y—ACCEPTANCE OF THE DIVINE PROM-ISES AND POWER.

We might prosecute the inquiry as related to faith in the Divine promises. How broad is our-outlook? How well do we appreciate "the gospel of the Kingdom?" How completely do we accept the pledge of the Divine presence and the Divine assurance of success? How thoroughly do we understand that entireness of self-surrender in the missionary work which appropriates the full energy of the Divine presence in the missionary work which appropriates the full energy of the Divine presence in the missionary work which appropriates the full energy of the Divine Spirit "according to the power that worketh in us?"

It is much easier to ask these questions than to answer them. But they certainly suggest how seriously the degree of our personal consecration to Mr. Editor: Having been a reader

questions which I desire you to answer are as follows: Has a Presiding Elder any right to disfranchise the stewards who, with the pastor, have suspended a steward and take the stewardesses, who are not officers of the Quarterly Gönference, and let them dispose of the suspended member?

STUDENTS' CONVENTION. WEST INDIES MISSIONS.

Presiding Elder Sealy Tells of the

Work at Barbados and Demarara.

Letter That Will Prove of Great

Interest to Our Church People

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Generally.

Grealest Missionary Gathering of The Age at Cleveland, O.

Interesting Statistics Brought

Out at the Meeting.

The Students' Volunteer Convention at Cleveland, O., last month, was the greatest missionary gathering ever held in this or any other country, so far as numerical strength was concerned, and from all that we have beengable to learn it was a grand success in every other respect. The central thought permeating this meeting was the

EVANGELIZATION OF THE WORLD IN

THIS OENERATION."

This thought being based upon the promise of God to afford power to His people when they are ready to use it in His service for the overthrow of the Ringdom of Darkness, thus giving it all the force of practicability that one could ask for it.

God has ever been ready since the deeper of the Christian

down of the Christian era to open a way for the world to receive the light of truth, and the greatest obstacle in the way has been the indisposition of the Christian world to take hold of the the Christian world to take hold of the mission work with a determination an I faith worthy the approval of God. They who would have the help of God in the accomplishment of noble work must have an abiding faith in Himknowing that it is through God all things are accomplished and with Him all things are possible.

The following statistics of the Convention will give some idea of its imvention will give some idea of its imposition.

portance and strength:

STATISTICS OF CONVENTION.

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Total institutions represented . . . 458

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Regular student delegates

College presidents and members
of faculties

even years ago in Cleveland

MISSIONARIES TO DEPART WITHIN ONE China—To work among lepers— Master has called. Soudau—He says "Go." China—Nurse the heathen. Congo—God has placed that field on

China -He wants me there.

Bolivia—Jesus wants me to go. China—God has definitely called: Bulgaria—Heard God's voice. Bulgaria—God calls me to work

Collymore Rock—This mission is under the pastoral care of the Presiding Elder and is doing nicely. It is situated about two miles from the city. Early in the year a finely situated spot of land was purchased whereon to erect a church. The building committee have \$200 in hand. The building will cost \$800 or \$1,000, and it is necessary that \$400 should be South America—Hasten the coming of the King. China—Preach Christ where He is ot known.
South America or Africa—God calls.
India or Egypt—God has opened

it is necessary that \$400 should be raised before the work is begun. The membership has increased, and the Sunday school is flourishing. As is the case with all our missions the e way. India To have my light shine in

China—Harvest great, laborers few.
Cairo—Prince shall come out of
Egypt.

Wherever board is directed to send
me.
Has the African M. E. Church no
part to play in this work that God has
commanded His church to do? It will
be seen by what we do and not by what
we say, whether we are indeed inter.

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we say, whother we are indeed interested in the world's evangelization. The efforts of Bishop Turner, and the Missionaries in Africa, will accomplish but little if the Church at home, the heart from which the hand is to receive its life blood, is not disposed to give the hand sufficient to make it strong to do the work before it.

The greatest test that Christianity has to stand today is not the mystery of the Godhead, but a demonstration of its claim in the lives of its believers. The world wants to see fiving examples of its love for humanity, its interest in the outcast, its pity for the fallen, its resistless desire and determination to furnish the light and salvation of the Gospel to those in nitiation to furnish the light and salvation of the Gospel to those in heathen darkness. If Christianity will not do this, then it is a failure, and the sooner the fact is brought to light the better for all. If the Church deserves to live, it is because she lives to teach others, who have not the and-the mission-bids fair to be a greatlives to teach others, who have not the land-the mission-bids fair to be a greatlive more more proper conception of life, liberty and love, how to live, that by their living they may be be edictions to humani-

love, how to live, that by their living they may be be excited to man.

We hope that each individual member, as well as teachers of the A. M. E. Church, will feel that they are doing their part to prove the righteousness of the claim of Christianity, on Easter Sunday, when they make the offering to Foreign Missions, that will be called for in all of the Churches and Sunday Schools, at eleven, three and seven o'clock services. If this is is ness of the claim of Christianity, on Easter Sunday, when they make the offering to Foreign Missions, that will be called for in all of the Churches and Sunday Schools, at eleven, three and seven o'clock services. If this is done the Father will be pleased and the work strengths.

The Changes and Flight of Life.

How fugitive and brief is mortal life, Between the budding and the falling leat. First comes the beautiful flower, kised by

Play our part, sing our song, then we as

REPORT comes to us from Huntsville, Ala., that the women of the Home and Foreign Missionary Society are doing commendable work for the

BY REV. HENDY A. GRANT, PASTOR A.

BRIDGETOWN, BARBADOS, W. I. | January 12, 1898. | To the Rev. H. B. Parks, Missionary Secretary of the A. M. E. Church, 61 Bible House, New York. 61 Bible House, New York.
Dear Brother:
The year which has just closed has been one of auxiety and care for us of the West Indian mission field. There has been, it is true, glints of sunshine athwart the dun clouds, but the present is not as successful as I should like to report; nevertheless, there has been considerable progress, and under the wise supervision of Bishop B. F. Lee, D.D., and your own excellent administration of the affairs of your department, I am sure that the end of the present quadrennium will see these islands and the colony of British Guiana taking a foremost place in the mis-

true standard of worth, is only such in a comparative and very inferior de-gree. In an absolute sense there is persons who, even in matters religion, don't always place highest estimate on that which is the most essential. The Jews valued

about taking up Christ's Cross, but this is not what the Lord commands, and indeed this is beyond our power to bear. Christ bore His own cross, and we must bear our cross, and not His. In this cross, I think the idea of pain and ignominy are always pres-cut, and all they who expect to work for the cause of missions without pain, will find themselves sadly mis-taken in the end. Crucifixion, too, is a painful death, and crucifixion of the old nature is painful, for connected with this death struggle is such a denial of self as brings the denial of welf as brings the keenest smart; and if any one thinks to glide out of self into life, as one would glide down a stream, he will awake one of these days to see his error. Many attempt to make religion fashionable and easy, so that the world can glide out of self into Christ without making any sacrifices, or bearing any crosses. How many efforts have been made thus to popularhight be removed. But all these at-empts have failed. No man dies to elf without suffering the pangs of that

who is in charge of the work here.

He is an earnest worker and is trying
to complete a small building.
These are the only two points worked
at Demarara. A mission at Leguan
is being opened, but the city of
Georgetown remains unoccupied.
I desire to commend Brothers Matthews and Phillips to your consideration, and request that if you can
make it convenient to do so, that you
and should send them some help, as they
are both useful in the spreading of
the cause.

-Standards of Worth and Merit.

Every man has something which he prizes above all things else—something in which he takes a special pride; something, in sact, in which he glories. These objects of esteem are as various as the ever-varying tastes of men. In some instances these preferences are based on just and sufficient reasons, but in others they are entirely chimerical and absurd. What one man considers of the greatest moment, another regards as but little consequence; what one man prizes as his chief good, another regards as of comparatively little value. This is owing to the different standards that men adopt by which to judge of the good or exit qualities of objects. Choosing an improper standard, as a matter of course, erroneous conclusions are reached.

Whatever there is of an earthly character that is good, judging by the true standard of worth, is only such in a comparative and very inferior de-

in a comparative and very inferior de-gree. In an absolute sense there is nothing of a temporal nature in which we may truly glory. Everything earthly is unsubstantial and perish-ing, and cannot properly be made the object of our trust. We should there-fore, seek that which is substantial and enduring as the object of our supreme good. Hence it is said, "Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, neither let the mighty man glory in his might, let not the rich man glory in his riches," but "he that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord." Not-withstanding this, there are many persons who, even in matters of present quadrennium will see these islands and the colony of British Guiana taking a foremost place in the missionary enterprises of the church. Let me again remind you that we are labeing among the very poorest of the people, whose wages do not exceed 24 cents per day each, and many of whom earn but 18 cents each per day. Had we church buildings, we would get people better able to help us, to join our mission; nutil then our financial results must, of necessity, be small.

I am glad to be able to report that our work at Barbados is, on the whole, satisfactory. The religious life has been greatly quickened by the blessed Master, and many souls have been added to our church membership.

Of the work at Damarara, British Guiana, I can say but little, except from rumor. I was not, by reason of financial disability, able to visit it last year, but hope to do so this year, D. V.

I am glad to say that the outlook for our missionaries is much better than it has been for years. In the apportionment of the funds of the Missionary Department we have not been left out in the cold. Bishop Lee has been advocating our cause and you have sent quarterly remittances to highest estimate on that which is the most essential. The Jews valued themselves on circumcision—on being Abraham's seed—heirs to the promises. The false teachers referred to in this epistle, prided themselves on "a fair show in the flesh"—a zealous observance of the external forms of religion, while they manifested but little regard for true piety. But the Apostle Paul disclaims all this and says, "God forbid that I should glory, save in the Cross of our Lord Jeans-Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me and I unto the world." There are two things in death by crucifixion which make it peculiarly appropriate as an emblem of the death of the carnal mind, namely: it was painful, and ignominious, and these two ideas always attach themselves to the word cross wherever we use it; and yet when we rightly understand it, we shall glory in the cross of Christ. Jesus commands us to take un the Cross. been advocating our cause and you have sent quarterly remittances to all the men. This is gratifying, and the impetus which it has given to re-newed energy will be productive of great results. newed energy will be productive of great results.

We are sadly in need of church literature, hymn books, rituals, etc. In each of our missions the Moody and Saukey song books are being used. I am sure you will send us a supply of books this year. We have to thank yourself and Dr. Smith for Sunday school literature, which has helped us considerably.

I desire to record my thanks to Almighty God for the degree of success with which he has blessed the labors of the brethren. While there have been many difficulties and disappointments, yot He has not left us alone. The many souls which have been any man will come after me, let him deny himself and take up his Cross, and follow me." We talk sometimes about taking up Christ's Cross, but been many difficulties and disappointments, yet He has not left us alone. The many souls which have been added and the favors that have been shown us, clearly indicate the Lord's benediction. When we remember our ntter unworthiness we are constrained to exclaim. "Lord, what is man that thou art mindful of him?"

I beg to direct your attention to the following detailed account of the mission points.

death. Now, let me pause here and say what I shall have written will be due to the reply of Bishop H. M. Turner, L. L. D. C. L., in January issue of the Voice of Missions, "Is the world growing better or worse?" The Bishop says, "the Cross is yet the triumphant banner, and to faith will be the victory." Yes, through the power of the Cross the world loses its sinfal charms to the Christian, as the body, when life is extinct, becames loathsome and is no longer attractive. So, in the presence of the Cross, they appear as empty toys, designed merely for the moment to, gratify and please. Grasping the true scepter the character is discovered, and, compared with the glossyling the true scepter the character is discovered, and, compared with the glossyling the true scepter the character is discovered and, compared with the glossyling the true scepter the character is discovered and compared with the glossyling the true scepter the character is discovered and compared with the glossyling the true scepter the character is discovered and compared with the glossyling the true scepter the character is discovered to gratify and please. Grasping the true scepter the character is discovered to gratify and please. Grasping the true scepter the character is discovered to gratify and please. Grasping the true scepter the character is discovered to gratify and please of the Gross the world spear as empty toys, designed merely for the moment to gratify and please. Grasping the true scepter the character is discovered and compared with the glossyling the true scepter the character is discovered. The compared with the glossyling the true scepter the character is discovered. The compared with the glossyling the true scepter the character is discovered. The compared with the glossyling the true scepter the character is discovered. The compared with the glossyling the true scepter the character is discovered. The compared with the glossyling the true scepter the character is discovered. The compared with the glossyling the true scepter are, in many instances, a laughing stock to the present generagrading and ruinous to Socinus, Sweeleuborg, familiar spirits, and the
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and those claiming to be orthodox,
from their, pulpits and editorial
chairs, some of whom join
in the cry against "the stringency of
formulated creeds," and are so much
more liberal than loyal as to forget
that truth makes no compromises,
Perceiving diversities of doctrines and
opinions, they would help the people
out of their difficulties in knowing
what to hold, by telling them that all
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I am not in possession of the statistics of the work at Demarara, but, roughly speaking, the total membership here and there is about 200, and of these sions here. In my next report I shall be more accurate, as I am taking steps whereby I shall be constantly kept informed of general concerns of the work at St. Thomas and advise that your department take some action to ward unraveling the complications thereat.

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doctrines of the Cross, the more dead will we become to all but Christ. Let us, then, gather around the Cross; let us get nearer the crucified one; let us recken ourselves "to be dead, indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ, our Lord." Let us admit it—if we, who are ministers, were nearer right the Lord." Let us a limit it—if we, who are ministers, were nearer right, the Churches and the world be nearer right. "Is the world growing better?" Yes. Horace Mann said: "God Almighty is not in a hurry, while we are."

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